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Unless otherwise established, there are no size limits on species not listed and unless otherwise noted, possession limits for saltwater fish are the same as the daily bag limit.

COMMON COASTAL SPECIES		
Size Limit	Bag & Possession Limit	
COBIA (Ling or Lemonfish)		 Cobia
33" min fork length	2 daily per person	
DRUM		 Black Drum  Red Drum
16" min total length 27" max total length	BLACK DRUM: 5 daily per person - bag and possession No more than one over 27" max total length	
	RED DRUM (Redfish)¹: 5 daily per person - bag ² No more than one over 27" max total length	
SOUTHERN FLOUNDER		 Southern Flounder
No Size Limit	10 daily per person	
MACKEREL		 King Mackerel  Spanish Mackerel
KING MACKEREL³: 24" min fork length	2 daily per person	
SPANISH MACKEREL³: 12" min fork length	15 daily per person	
STRIPED MULLET		 Striped Mullet
No Size Limit	100 lbs. daily	
Spotted Seatrout (Speckled Trout) ⁴		 Spotted Seatrout
12" min total length	25 daily per person - bag ² ; 15 daily per person with no more than two over 25" (in specified areas)	






HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES⁵



Size Limit	Bag & Possession Limit	
MARLIN ⁶		
BLUE MARLIN: 99" min lower jaw fork length	No Bag or Possession Limit	 Blue Marlin
WHITE MARLIN: 66" min lower jaw fork length		 White Marlin
SAILFISH ⁶		
63" min lower jaw fork length	No Bag or Possession Limit	 Sailfish
SHARK ⁷		
ATLANTIC SHARPNOSE & BONNETHEAD SHARK ⁷ : None	1 daily per person - possession. All shark harvest prohibited from April 1 - June 30	 Atlantic Sharpnose Shark
OTHER SHARKS (EXCEPT Prohibited silky and sandbar) ⁷ : 54" min fork length	1 in aggregate per vessel per trip - possession. No silky or sandbar sharks. No prohibited species. All shark harvest prohibited from April 1 - June 30. <i>(See complete list of Prohibited Sharks on page 26)</i>	
SWORDFISH ⁸		
29" min carcass length or 33 lbs. min dressed weight	Not more than 5 per vessel per trip	 Swordfish
TUNA ⁸		
BLUEFIN TUNA ⁹ : 73" min curved fork length	1 per vessel per year with appropriate federal permit as incidental catch during the open season	 Bluefin Tuna
BIGEYE TUNA ⁹ : 27" min curved fork length	No Bag or Possession Limit	 Bigeye Tuna
YELLOWFIN TUNA ⁹ : 27" min curved fork length	3 daily per person	 Yellowfin Tuna

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***NOTE:**

- Species within the 20 fish aggregate bag limit are *Vermilion Snapper, Lane Snapper, Almaco Jack, Gray Triggerfish, Tilefish, Goldface Tilefish, and Blueline Tilefish.*
- Species within the 10 fish aggregate bag limit are all snappers (*Gray, Mutton, Yellowtail, Cubera, Queen, Blackfin, Silk and Wenchman*) except *Red, Vermilion and Lane.*

REEF FISH ³		
Size Limit	Bag & Possession Limit	
GROUPE ^{10,11}		 Gag Grouper
BLACK & GAG ¹⁰ : 22" min total length	4 daily in aggregate No more than 1 speckled hind and 1 Warsaw grouper per vessel, not more than 4 red grouper per person, and not more than 2 gag per person included in the bag limit	
RED & YELLOWFIN ¹⁰ : 20" min total length		
SCAMP ¹⁰ : 16" min total length		
GOLIATH & NASSAU: Take Prohibited	Take/Possession Prohibited	
SNAPPER ¹²		 Red Snapper  Gray Snapper  Lane Snapper
RED ^{11,13} : 16" min total length	2 daily per person ²	
MUTTON: 16" min total length	10 daily per person in aggregate ^{3*}	
QUEEN, BLACKFIN, SILK & WENCHMAN: None		
CUBERA, GRAY (mangrove) & YELLOWTAIL: 12" min total length VERMILION: 10" min total length		
LANE: 8" min total length	20 daily per person in aggregate ^{3*}	
ALMACO JACK		
No Size Limit	20 daily per person in aggregate [*]	
GRAY TRIGGERFISH ¹⁴		 Gray Triggerfish
14" min fork length	2 daily per person in aggregate ^{3*}	

REEF FISH AND OTHER ³		
Size Limit	Bag & Possession Limit	
TILEFISH (Goldface & Blueline)		
No Size Limit	20 daily per person in aggregate*	
AMBERJACK		
GREATER^{11,15}: 30" min fork length	1 daily per person ³	 <p>Greater Amberjack</p>
LESSER & BANDED RUDDERFISH¹⁵: 14-22" fork length slot limit	5 daily per person in aggregate	
HOGFISH		
12" min fork length	5 daily per person	
TRIPLETAIL		
18" min total length	5 daily per person	 <p>Tripletail</p>

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